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J. J. BRITT IS PLAYED BY GOVERNOR LOCKE CRAIG.

Enthusiastic Crowd of Democrats Cheered Frequently as Wilson and Craig Administrations Were Reviewed.

Governor Locke Craig delivered one of the most eloquent political speeches at the court house Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock ever heard in this city. The court house was crowded with ladies and gentlemen. Many of the men were forced to stand during the entire two hours of forceful arguments presented by the Governor.

Col. S. V. Pickens introduced the speaker in a few well chosen words in which he stated he was proud to have the pleasure of introducing one of the finest governors the state of North Carolina ever had.

Greeted with much applause Gov. Craig stated he was glad to meet so many friends once more in old Henderson county. He assured Democrats, Republicans and Progressives that if he made any remarks that offended he would apologize at the beginning. He numbered a great many republicans among his friends and from the vote cast for him in the last gubernatorial election in this county he felt sure that a good number of the opposing party's voted for him.

The Governor contrasted conditions in American with those of Europe stating that while Europe was waging "a war such as we have never seen or heard of, where there was a land of dead and dying, of weeping and mourning; yet in America conditions were entirely different, peace and prosperity reigned here because there sat a man in Washington with character and determination enough to say that we should have peace." Gov. Craig predicted that when the war was over the United States would be the most looked up to Nation of the world and that this country would be the one to decide on the terms of peace.

The governor declared that, however great the achievements of the administration in foreign matters, it was no greater than what it had done in other ways. "We are the most industrious and ingenious people on earth," said the governor, "yet before this those who toiled and created did not properly share in the results. I am no communist, but I believe in a man having only that which he earns. This wrong state of affairs could be laid at the doors of the republican party. A man who a few years ago was admittedly the greatest republican had said that the wealth of the United States was in conspiracy with the republican party to control the country; that a great unseen power administered national affairs. Roosevelt and his followers rose against this condition and now there is no real republican party. The only real political party is the democratic which has existed from the beginning of the country, despite all difficulties, because it stands for equal rights to all and special privileges to none. Will the people give a vote of confidence to the democratic government that has rescued the country from organized greed. There can be no more panics for lack of currency because under the new law which will be effective in a few days the products of the country, lumber, cotton, etc., will be the basis for the issue of money available to the producers. Essentially Woodrow Wilson has restored the government to the people, taken it from the invisible power, so that now the people govern through Wilson and the democratic congress. In this the south had taken a glorious part." Here the governor sketched conditions after the war. "There were then two schools of thought. One took the position that we had been defeated and might as well surrender everything, traditions, principles and all, and forget the supremacy of the Anglo-Saxon race. But in North Carolina we had in 1876 for governor a man, Zebulon Baird Vance, and he said in trumpet tone, 'I shall make it so that it shall be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrah than for these men in North Carolina. And he made it good and it ought to be so. I am speaking from a political standpoint. Mr. Britt is a pleasant man, a man of ability and conscientious, but he has been and is and always will be, I am afraid a republican. If I were a republican I doubt if I should vote for him because he has professed one thing and voted for another. He was a republican when the state was overrun by negroes and by his political acts and votes he supported this condition." There followed a scathing denunciation of republicanism in refusing to pension old soldiers. "Britt is able and conscientious, but he has made his bed with republicanism and let him live and die there. He is its child by birth and by preference yet he asks democrats to vote for him. What I have said applies to the leaders of that party, but to you republicans who had no part in the control, I want to ask one question: Do you not rejoice that your party has been defeated in North Carolina; that in 1900 125,000 republicans were disfranchised and your party made a white man's party and this is a white man's state? Would you if you could restore those conditions?"

Gov. Craig was strong in his support for J. M. Gudger and Senator Lee

COUNTY ELECTION PROMISES TO BE A SURPRISE TO MANY.

Candidates Winding up Strenuous Campaign—Local Democrats Have Had Only Short Time.

It looks as if there will be something doing in this county Tuesday November 3 when the voters will cast their ballots in the Senatorial, Congressional, judicial and local election. Candidates on the local democratic ticket have been "covering ground" over the county very fast, since the late convention did not give them much time in which to get acquainted.

Hon. J. M. Gudger, Jr. The race for congress will be very close in this county. The republicans have failed to bring on any discord among the democrats and the apparent lack of any marked interest among the republicans and progressives for their candidate makes one believe that Hon. James M. Gudger will receive the largest vote that this county ever gave a democratic candidate.

J. Foy Justice. In the county race for legislature, J. Foy Justice will probably lead the race among the democrats. Mr. Justice is a Henderson county boy, a lawyer, and a young man who holds the highest respect of Democrats and republicans alike. He is no stranger to the voters of Henderson county.

V. C. V. Shepherd. V. C. V. Shepherd, candidate for tax collector, knows the game of politics and it is a safe bet that he will show a good account of himself when the votes are counted.

Judge W. G. Gullick. Judge W. G. Gullick, is a veteran in more than one sense of the word. He has fought many years with the democrats of Henderson county, is a confederate soldier and if elected will make one of the best registers of deeds the county has ever had.

Otis Powers. Otis Powers, candidate for sheriff, has been a policeman and constable for many years. He is a fearless officer and not afraid of anything. It is predicted by some that he will get more votes than any man on the democratic ticket—considerable more than enough to elect him.

C. E. Brooks, T. B. Allen, R. K. Stepp. The candidates for county commissioners, C. E. Brooks, cashier of the Citizens Bank, T. B. Allen, former state senator and farmer, R. K. Stepp, saw mill man and farmer, are all good men. They have a large circle of personal friends and are known by all as good business men who will administer the affairs of the county in the same manner as they tend to their own. The people of the city of Hendersonville have for some time realized that one member of the county commissioners should be a resident of the city.

Judge C. M. Pace. Judge C. M. Pace the candidate of both the democrat and republican party for clerk of Superior court is the only candidate who is positive beyond a shadow of a doubt of re-election.

CONCERT AT FASSIFERN.

There will be a concert at Fassifern school, given by Miss Isabel H. Pixley, soprano and Miss Chellian A. Pixley, pianist, Friday night at 8:15 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

Mrs. McBee and Miss Shipp with the faculty of Fassifern school will be at home to their friends and those of the school on the Mondays in November from four to six. A more formal invitation will not be issued.

SUFFRAGETS TO MEET IN CITY OF CHARLOTTE.

Local Advocates Will Go to First State Convention to be Held Nov. 9-10. Local advocates and members of the Woman's suffrage movement in this state will attend the first state meeting to be held in the city of Charlotte November 9th, 10th. It is understood that special rates have been given at the Selwyn hotel of that city.

U. D. C. TO MEET.

There will be an interesting meeting of the United Daughters of the Confederacy at the home of Mrs. T. M. McCollough in 6th avenue next Wednesday, November 4th at 3:30 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

S. Overman and urged their re-election with a larger vote than before thereby endorsing the administration of Woodrow Wilson, upholding his hands in the wonderful transformation which has taken place in the past eighteen months.

The Governor Entertained. Messrs. C. E. Brooks, J. Mack Rhodes and J. E. Shipman met Gov. Craig and party, among whom was Mrs. James M. Gudger, Jr., at the depot and they were brought in automobile to the residence of Mrs. C. J. Hawkins where Mrs. Lloyd Dodamead was hostess at an elaborate luncheon where covers were laid for ten.

After the speaking Saturday afternoon Governor Craig and party composed of W. A. Smith, R. N. Wilcox and Michael Schenck motored to Fassifern school where the Governor was introduced and he presented to the young ladies many of the bouquets of flowers he had received from the ladies of the county at the court house during his speech.

UNDERWOOD PRAISES GUDGER.

In Reply to Mr. Shipman the Majority Leader Pays High Compliment to Our Congressman.

Raleigh, Oct. 27, 1914.

On being informed through the press of the tactics employed by the opposition in going over the district attacking the official record of Congressman Gudger, Mr. M. L. Shipman, Commissioner of Labor and Printing, addressed a personal letter to Majority Leader Underwood, directing attention to the impeachments and making inquiry concerning the same. In acknowledging receipt of the letter Leader Underwood contradicted the detractors of Mr. Gudger by paying the Tenth District representative a high compliment as a faithful public servant. His reply follows.

Committee on Ways and Means, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., Oct. 24, 1914. Mr. M. L. Shipman, Raleigh, N. C. My Dear Mr. Shipman:

"I received your letter of the 20th, instant this morning, and was much interested in what you say in reference to Mr. Gudger, as I am anxious to see Mr. Gudger returned to the next Congress. I feel that his work in behalf of the country and the party, his diligent attendance to public duties and the loyalty he has displayed in upholding the hands of President Wilson, and his eminent qualification to fill the position of a Representative in Congress are such that it would be a loss to the House if he is not returned in the coming election.

With kindest regards, I am, Cordially yours, OSCAR W. UNDERWOOD.

Mr. Underwood carried the Tenth district in the preferential primary for President two years ago and the delegation stood by him loyally at Baltimore to the final conclusion. He is strong with the mountain people and it believed his letter in the interest of Congressman Gudger will help the cause no little.

HONOR ROLL.

Honor roll for perfect attendance for the first and second grades of the East Flat Rock Graded school, for the week ending Oct. 23, 1914:

Floyd PaPock, Lloyd Pharr, William Surrent, Willie Justus, Effie Fisher, Thomas Cagle, Clarence Hall, Julia Pace, Ruth Goodman, Maggie Rains, Charity Shepherd, Bonnie Harvey, James Justus, Agnes Stepp, Roy Benison, Jessie Jones, Nina Keeler, Viola Justus, Lillian Duncan, Keith Glover, Henry Rains, Boyd Edney, Brooks Edney, Ena Lyda, Arthur Rogers, Janie Capps, Ora Drake, Josephine Stepp, Nelson Benison, Zena Stiles.

DON'T SWAP.

Democrats should spurn propositions to swap votes, especially on Congressman and Solicitor. Don't do it.

EUROPEAN COUNTRIES ARE MAKING HEAVY PURCHASES.

New York, Oct.—Continued heavy purchases of various commodities and general merchandise in this country by agents of European countries at war have become a decided factor in the foreign exchange situation. Cables and eight drafts on London declined again today but rallied slightly later as offerings of bills grew scarcer. At today's lowest quotations London exchange was almost four cents lower to the pound sterling than in the early days of the month. Continental exchanges again were purely nominal, but quotations on Berlin and Hamburg were lower. It is generally believed in financial circles that German textile manufacturers have been among the largest buyers of that staple here recently, but just how or when deliveries are to be made in that country is not explained.

R. R. REYNOLDS WEDS.

Friends Surprised to Learn of Marriage of Month Ago.

Asheville, Oct. 24.—The news of the secret wedding of Miss Mary Bland, the 18-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Bland of Augusta, and Capt. Robert R. Reynolds came as a distinct surprise to the friends of the officer at this city. The wedding occurred at Aiken, S. C., a month ago and has been kept a secret since that time.

Captain Reynolds met Miss Bland at Augusta at the recent cavalry encampment at that city, the young woman attending a dance at which the visiting officers were the guests of honor. A short courtship preceded the wedding which took place at the office of a magistrate at Aiken. Captain Reynolds returned to Asheville after the ceremony his bride went to her home. They are to meet at Augusta tomorrow and will spend their delayed honeymoon in the South.

Neither the relatives of Captain Reynolds nor those of Miss Bland knew of the wedding.

Mrs. Sossoman and children and Mr. D. G. Tatum, her father will leave this week for Salisbury where they will remain this winter.

COUNTY TEACHERS MEET; REGULAR MONTHLY SESSION.

Routine Work Was Carried Through. All Teachers Heard Governor Craig in the Afternoon.

The regular monthly meeting teachers of the county was held Saturday in the graded school building. Quite a number of the teachers were present and interesting reports were made by the chairmen of the committees who have been working towards the advancement of this organization.

In the afternoon the teachers adjourned in order to hear Gov. Locke Craig's speech at the court house.

FREEMAN-SMITH WEDDING.

Miss Leola Freeman of Hendersonville, and Mr. Grady Smith of Greenville, S. C., were married Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock, at the Methodist parsonage, by Rev. W. F. Womble, in the presence of only a few immediate friends.

No announcement of the approaching marriage had been made public, and it came as quite a surprise to the many friends of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith left immediately after the ceremony for Greenville, where Mr. Smith is engaged in business.

The bride is the only daughter of Mrs. J. L. Freeman, and is well known in Hendersonville where she has many friends who will be interested in her marriage.

LOG ROLLING ASSOCIATION.

Messrs. A. H. Hawkins, V. E. Grant, G. J. Milward and Capt. R. V. Ladd attended the semi annual meeting of the Log Rolling association held in Old Fort last Monday.

Mr. V. E. Grant was elected president for the coming year while G. J. Milward was elected secretary and treasurer. J. M. Garren of Fruitland was elected vice president. The association will meet in Rosman next year.

EDGAR E. WEST DIES SUDDENLY.

A telegram was received by friends in the city last Wednesday announcing the untimely death of Edgar E. West in Jacksonville, Fla. Young West has been spending the summer here where his parents have a home for many years. He was 24 years old. According to a Jacksonville newspaper clipping Mr. West was only sick a few days.

The many friends of Young West and the family of this city will deeply regret on learning the sad news.

CONCERT AT FASSIFERN.

Miss Jenny Dufau, prima donna coloratura soprano, gave a very enjoyable concert at Fassifern school Saturday night. Miss Dufau is a member of the Chicago-Philadelphia opera company and her appearance in Hendersonville was quite a treat.

Owing to the short time to advertise the concert only a few of the music lovers of the city had the pleasure of hearing Miss Dufau. All the girls of the school and about twenty-five people from Hendersonville were present.

PHILATHEAS ENTERTAIN.

The Philathea class of the First Methodist church delightfully entertained the young men of their church at the home of Miss Pearl Beason on Buncombe street last Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. There were about twenty-five couples present.

Many interesting games were played, after which delicious refreshments were served by Misses Jennie Stepp, Christine Justus and Ethel Pope. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Duffee and Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Womble.

HON SOLOMON GALLERT SPEAKS.

Hon. Solomon Gallert speaks at the court house this (Wednesday) evening October 28th at 8 P. M., in the interest of the democratic party. Mr. Gallert is one of the best known speakers in Rutherford county and his address will no doubt be well received.

FORMER RESIDENT WINS PRIZE.

The hand embroidery of Mrs. L. A. Keller of Raleigh, N. C., who was Miss Tiffie Israel of Hendersonville took first premium in the North Carolina State fair held in Raleigh Oct. 19-24. Mrs. Keller's many friends in the city will be pleased to learn of her good fortune.

A HALL JOHNSON SPEAKS.

A Hall Johnson spoke in Fletcher Wednesday and will address a meeting of Democrats at Fruitland Thursday morning.

G. W. LYDA CANNOT RUN.

Editor Democrat: I am appointed register of Edneyville precinct which office I have qualified for and am filling to the best of my ability. I see my name on the county ticket for county surveyor, which office I cannot accept, therefore my name need not be placed on ticket, for I will not accept.

G. W. LYDA.

EDNEYVILLE, ROUTE 1.

Mr. C. M. Ledbetter of Greenville, S. C., is spending a few days with his father, Mr. T. I. Ledbetter of this place helping him gather and store away his apples.

Mr. Pink Stepp is seriously ill with typhoid.

Mrs. Margie Lamb spent Sunday night with relatives at Fruitland.

Mr. Homer Haydock and family of Salem, Mass., are visiting relatives in this section.

Mrs. Minerva Lyda has been seriously ill for some time. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Whitaker spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. R. A. McKillop of Hendersonville, R. 2.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew M. Lyda, who has been seriously ill with typhoid is slowly improving.

Mrs. Hester Edney and children of Fruitland have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Q. Nix of this place.

Messrs. Melinor and Hoke Flack of Fruitland Institute, spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Flack.

Mr. Buford Haydock of Bat Cave, visited his mother, Mrs. Mary E. Haydock, Sunday.

Mr. Patton, the county surveyor began surveying the thoroughfare through this section last Friday, but owing to rain he was compelled to stop before he had finished the survey.

MILLS RIVER RIPPLES.

Rev. Mr. Temple of the Balfour orphanage spoke at the Presbyterian church Sunday to a large audience. A very good contribution was taken for this orphanage. The children turned in the amounts they had made from a dime given to each in May. Fred Burgin led the boys by making \$5.63 and Bessie Osborne the girls by making \$3.60. Mr. Temple will preach here again the next fourth Sunday.

The box supper at the High school building Friday night was well attended considering the rain and mud. The program was an extremely delightful occasion or at least the hearers showed appreciation by many laughs and applause. The proceeds went above expectation as everybody thought the rain would hinder.

The woman's Betterment society is adding some enthusiasm to the school work. They have put a large \$40 heater in the high school room. This is a useful and ornamental monument to their service. We thank the young people for their help also.

The high school girls are running a contest in collecting money to build a new stage. They are going to build it, too. Just wait and see.

The good patrons of the school who are seeing some good in it are voluntarily assuming the duty of contributing wood for the school. What about the man who says that is a poor way of doing. Why not lengthen the school term in this way. We can. We will.

Mrs. J. S. Corpening and daughter, Miss Ada have returned from their visit in Waynesville.

Miss Edna Brittain is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. G. J. Wilson who lives near Brevard.

Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Gibbs of Hendersonville spent Sunday with Mr. W. J. Drake of this place.

Dr. Roland Alston of Charleston, S. C., spent last week with Mr. James H. Ladsen.

ANGELINE WHISPERINGS.

Doubtless our friends think if they should call around they would catch us napping from our long absence, but not so. The rush of summer and fall harvest has given us no time to chat with our neighbors, not even through the columns of our interesting county paper, The Western Carolina Democrat.

As election day is not as far away as it has been we get more and more anxious to know who will be who, but feel assured that if all who claim the name of Democracy stands by his colors that Hon. J. M. Gudger will take his old stand in Congress.

Miss Pearl Purkey and sister, Miss Mary, spent the week end with Mrs. T. V. Carland, and were invited to join an opossum hunt Saturday evening which they accepted and had a very jolly time.

Mr. Fred Johnson and Miss Maxwell of Brevard, spent Sunday with the former's brother, S. E. Johnson.

Mrs. C. R. Sorrels of Fletcher spent Sunday with her parents Dr. and Mrs. Johnson.

The ladies missionary meeting met with Mrs. Dr. Greenwood Thursday of last week.

Miss Lenoir and Elma Johnson have gone to the city for school this term.

How about the farm machinery that will not be used again until next season—is it housed away, or is it out in the field where it was last used? This is a time for the strictest economy, and an excellent place to begin is with the farm implements.—Progressive Farmer.

UNVEILING OF WOODMAN MONUMENT LAST SUNDAY.

One Thousand People Witness Ceremony at Grave of Late James A. Laughter.

One of the largest attended unveiling of monuments ever held by the White Pine camp of Woodmen of the World took place last Sunday in the Mud Creek Cemetery at the grave of deceased brother Woodman, James A. Laughter.

It is estimated that there was one thousand people present when Hon. W. A. Smith opened the ceremony with a talk on "Character." Mr. Smith made a very appropriate speech in which he gave some valuable advice. The unveiling ceremony followed being very impressively carried out by the officers of the local lodge of Woodcraft.

RUGBY GRADED SCHOOL.

The ladies of this district met last Friday afternoon at the school building and organized a Betterment club. In spite of the inclement weather there was a sufficient number to organize and the women showed very good judgment in the selection of their officers. Miss Marie Lane, president; Miss Marjo Justice, vice president and Miss Edith Dalton, secretary and treasurer. The last two are young ladies of the high school. Much enthusiasm was shown, also a desire to get right to work and be an organization in all the name implies.

It is an important step in the life of the school and many of our friends will no doubt be pleased to note it.

The beautiful set of maps and the globe which were ordered some time ago, have arrived and the patrons are invited to drop in and pass judgment on this new equipment.

Below is the honor roll for the 2nd month:

Honor Roll.

Eighth grade: Harold Justice, Lucille Belk, Marjo Justice, Katherine Hefner, Edith Dalton, Nita Evans.

Seventh grade: Way Justice.

Fifth grade: Mabel Jamison, Cly Justice, Dinah Rhodes.

Fourth grade: Samuel Belk, Edith Rhodes, Gladys Justice, Sallie Jamison.

Third grade: Tavie McCarsen, Bell McFall, Charlie Cook.

Second grade: Cornelia Wilfong, Josie Rhodes, Francis Belk, John Courtney.

First grade: Arnolds Liverette, Joe Wilfong, Louise Cook.

POTATO WEIGHED 10 1-2 LBS.

T. J. Stepp, ninety years old, father of J. M. and J. F. Stepp of this city, who lives at Dana, brought to the city last Monday a sweet potato weighing 10 and one-half pounds which he had raised. This is one of the largest potatoes shown here.

EFFORTS OF BOTH ARMIES CENTERED ALONG NORTH SEA.

London, Oct. 26.—All efforts of the allied armies and the Germans are centered along the North Sea coast where in that section included between Nieuport and Dixmude, the battle, has been raging incessantly for several days past. The latest official advices from Paris report a violent bombardment of Nieuport by German guns but so far as the public knows neither side has gained any definite success.

British officials declare the situation is satisfactory and that while the fighting is severe and continuous that allies are gaining ground and many prisoners have been taken.

BEAR WALLOW WELTERS.

Mr. Brown from Chapel Hill, made a business trip to this section recently.

Mr. J. G. Oates, who has been at Asheville for quite a while, is at home for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Freeman of Chimney Rock, were visitors in this section Sunday.

Mr. T. M. Merrell made a business trip to Spartanburg last week.

There were quite a lot of people here Sunday. Some were walking, horse back riding, and buggy riding, they think the new road is fine.

Mrs. B. M. Pryor, and children, have gone to Hoopers Creek for awhile.

FLETCHER R-1 NEWS.

Mrs. C. C. Whitmore has returned to her home at Barnardsville after spending a week with her daughter, Mrs. O. F. Blankenship.

Miss Eustace Russell of Asheville spent Sunday with her parents here.

The friends of Carl Youngblood will be pleased to learn that he is recovering rapidly after a serious illness.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Summey, Oct. 15th, a daughter.

Mrs. Luther Anderson who has been visiting relatives here for some time is expected to leave this week for her home in Guild, Tenn.

Mr. John Ballenger and family of Florida, are visiting friend and relatives in this section.

Mr. B. H. Youngblood made a business trip to Hendersonville last week.